

Mechanism of Transcription [Prokaryote]

Transcription Completed in 3 Step -

- i) Initiation
- ii) Elongation
- iii) Termination

i) Initiation

- σ Factor Play imp. role in initiation process
 - ↳ Recognize [-10 & -35 Seq.]



17-19 nt

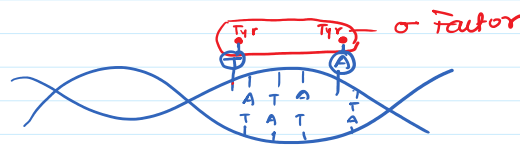
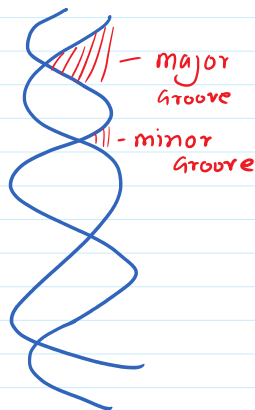
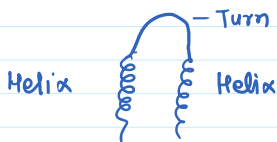
distance b/w these 2 Seq. = Strong Promoter

if distance vary b/w these 2 Seq. \rightarrow Promoter become weak

σ Factor

- Structure \Rightarrow Helix - Turn - Helix

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Binds with major groove of DNA at only -35 & -10 Seq.



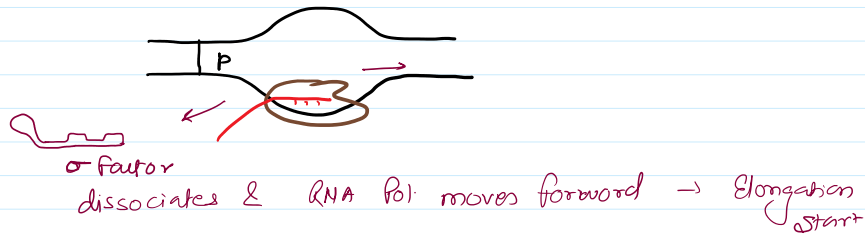
σ Factor - Contain aromatic a.a.

- interacts with Backbone of DNA
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- melting of H Bond b/w A & T

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Steric change

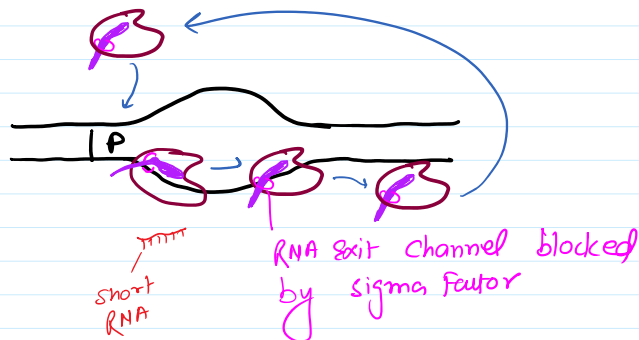
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more H Bond melting start at Pribnow Box

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Transcription bubble formation
(12 - 14 nt melt)

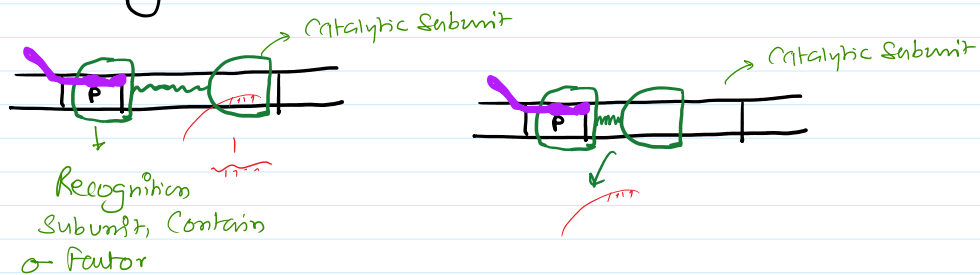


Before Elongation RNA Pol. Shows Abortive Round of Transcription

① Transient excursion model [local excursion model]

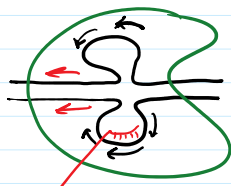


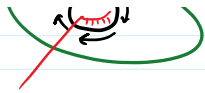
② Inch worming model



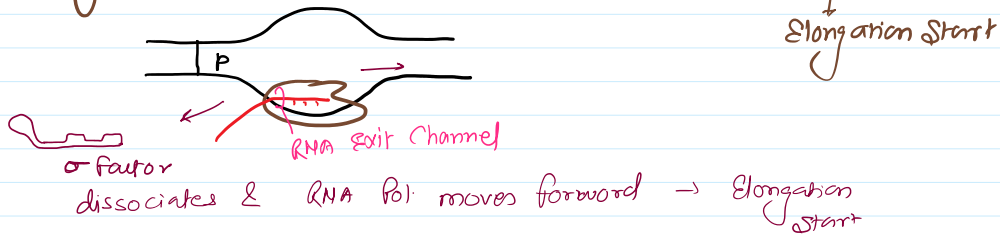
③ Scrunching model

- RNA Pol. does not move along DNA Thread
- DNA Thread itself moves through RNA Pol. for Transcription



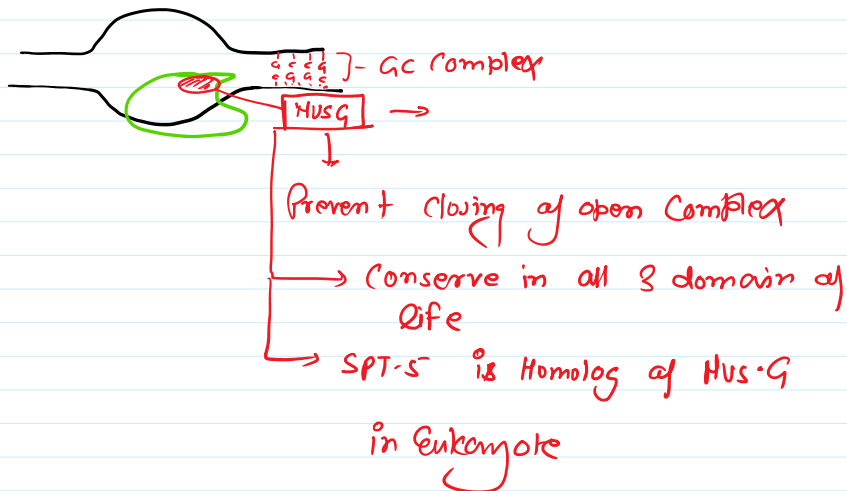


* if σ factor removed from RNA Pol. [Promoter escape]



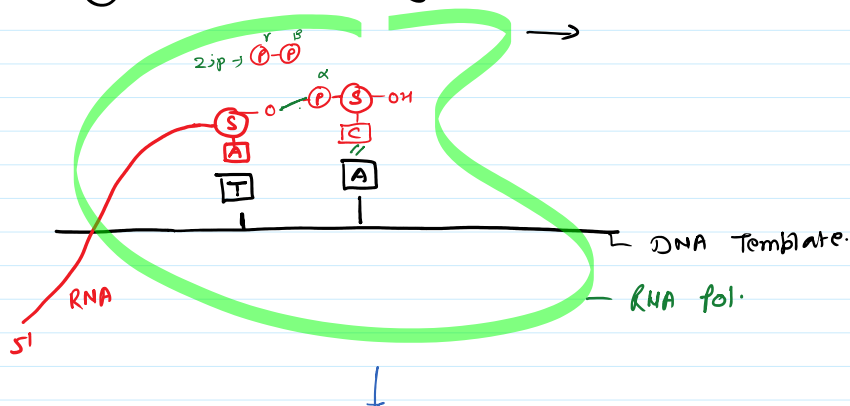
(2) Elongation

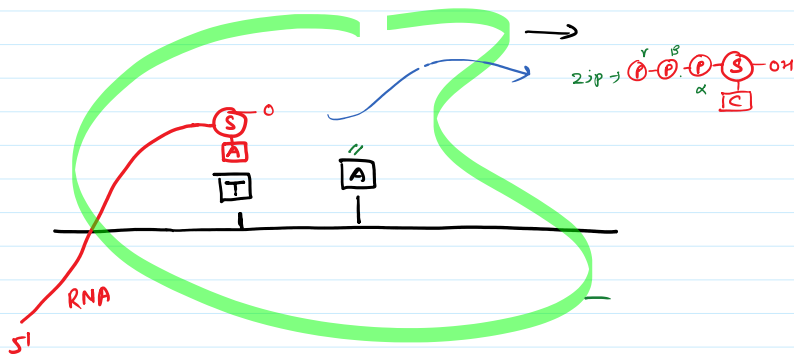
- σ factor removed from Promoter
- **HusG** Protein +nt with RNA Polymerase
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Prevent closing of open complex



Proof reading in RNA Polymerase

(1) Pyrophosphate editing -





if there is mismatch during Transcription
 pyrophosphate attack on phosphodiester bond
 of wrong base of RNA

If there is Damage in DNA strand during Transcription
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 Transcription Coupled Repair System

works

- Transcription Coupled Releasing factor [TCRF] ✓
 Enters in Transcription Complex

RuvABC → RNA Pol. Removed
 Repair

(ii) Hydrolytic cleavage

- mismatch nt. Cleaved by Gre - in Prokaryote

T.F.IIS is Homolog of GRE in Eukaryote

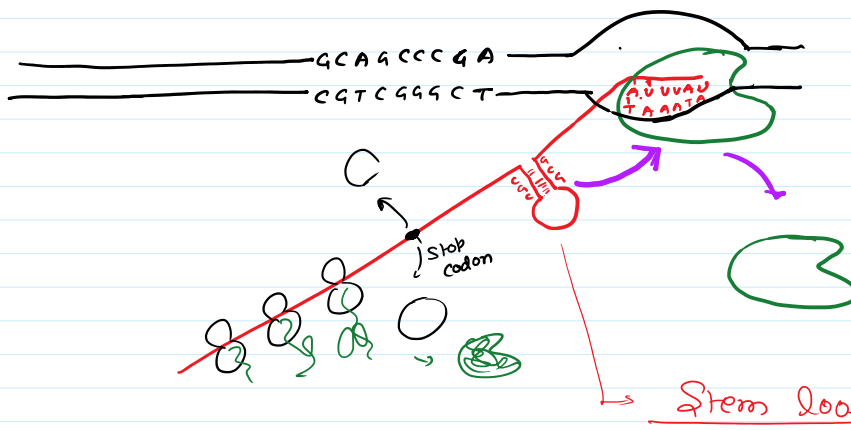
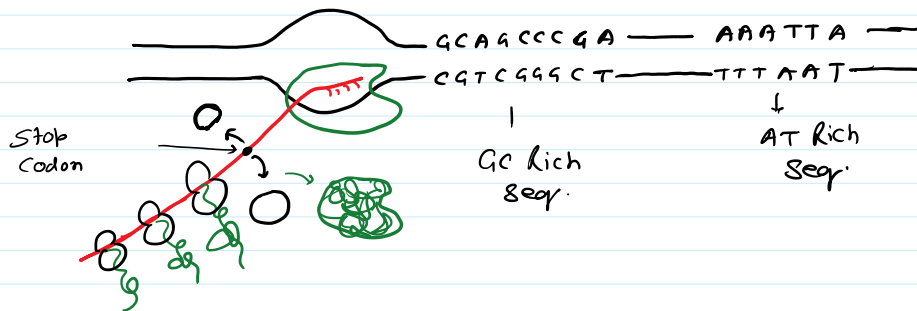
(3) Termination

- ① Rho - independent [Prokaryote]
- ② Rho - dependent

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↳ also k/a Intrinsic Termination



- Cause Termination of Transcription

① Stem-loop str. brings Allosteric change in RNA Pol

- RNA Pol. dissociates from Template & Transcript Release

② RNA Pulled from Transcription Bubbles → Transcription bubble closed

③ Torpedo model

• Hair pin loop - Push

Forward RNA Pol.

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RNA Pol. dissociates from

Transcription bubble

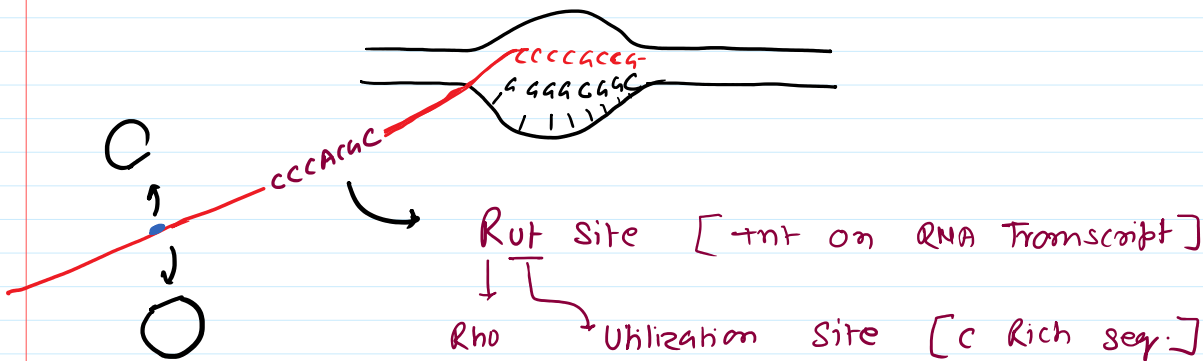
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Transcript Released.

* Xrn 2 in human & Rat 1 in yeast

helps in dissociation
of RNA Transcript from
Transcription bubble in
Eukaryotic Transcription
Termination

ii) Rho dependent Termination [in some Bacterial sp.]

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Kla Extrinsic Termination



• Recruit Rho factor

- 6 Subunit
- ATPase activity +tgt

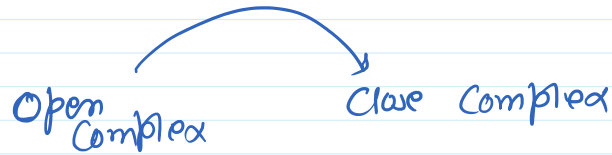


Rho Factor [Extrinsic Factor]

① Brings Allosteric Change in RNA Pol.

(ii) Push forward RNA Pol.

(iii) Enters in Transcription bubbles
& disrupt H Bond b/w RNA & DNA

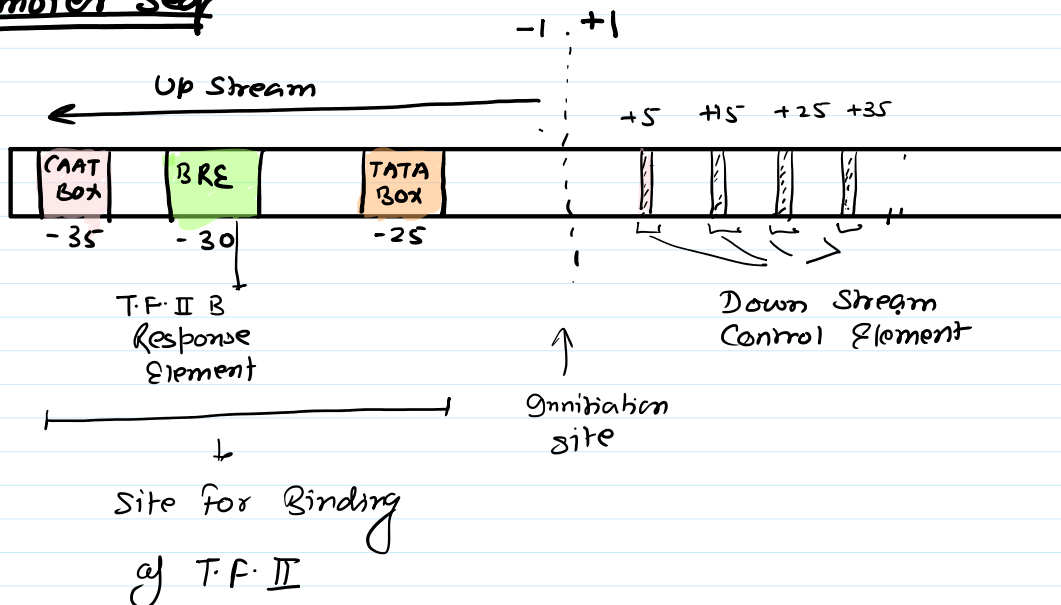


Eukaryotic Transcription

• RNA Pol. II → Transcription of protein coding gene

RNA Pol. II + General Transcription factor
(T.F. II, A, B, D, E, F, H)

Promoter Seq.



In Eukaryote - Transcription and Translation is
separated by space and time

Transcription site = Nucleus

Translation site = Cytoplasm

Co-Transcriptional Event

- 5' Capping
- 3' tailing

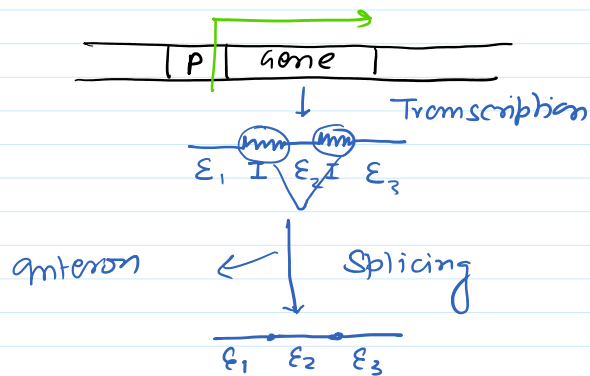
Post Transcriptional Event

• Splicing

Removal of intron &
Joining of Exon

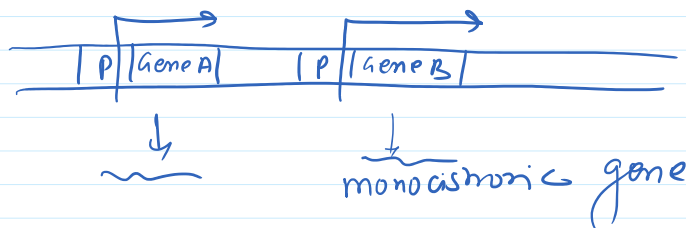
in Eukaryotes - There is Split gene i.e. +nt

Contain Exon & intron seq.

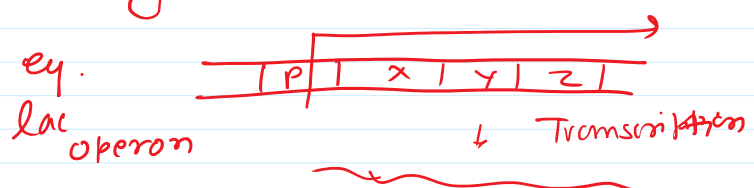


in Eukaryotes - Transcription is
mono-cistronic

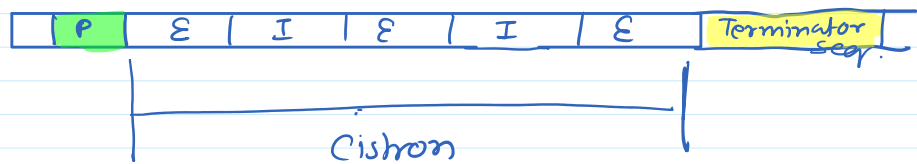
Each gene contain its own
promoter



in Prokaryote Polycistronic
gene is common



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OR CS Q
- * Basal Rate of Transcription in Eukaryote = 40 nt/sec
 - Speed of Transcription is fixed but frequency could be changed



Average size of gene in human = 27 Kb

Average Exon No. = 9

Average Exon Size = 150 bp

Total Exon Size = $9 \times 150 = 1350$ bp

Average Intron No. = 8

Each Intron Size = 3000 bp

Total Intron Size = $8 \times 3000 = 24,000$ bp

Smallest gene = H₁ Histone (intron-nt)

Largest gene = Dystrophin (100 intron)

Largest Protein = titin

DNA Seq. $5' - \text{ATGCTCA} - 3'$ Template
 $3' - \text{UACGAGU} - 5'$ mRNA
 (An arrow points from the DNA template to the mRNA sequence, indicating base pairing.)

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3rd option is
Correct